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Our Last Chance In UN Is Here

EDITOR: The United Nations General Assembly is now in session and an anxious world is breathlessly waiting and hoping that some solutions will be found to halt the headlong drive towards disaster.

Seventeen years ago the Charter was signed and a solemn agreement was reached to use the instruments of governments to achieve world peace and we can all remember with what joy and hope the glad tidings were received in the world. Now the United Nations is facing total disintegration and anything could follow as a result. It is the last chance for the world to embark on an endeavor that will allow humanity to go forward with intelligence, love and justice to pursue our destiny, whatever that may be.

We should examine, very carefully, the role that the United States is playing in the demise of the U. N. Flout pretensions, cliches and confusing information just won't work much longer and we the people must wake up and demand rational actions from our servants in government.

To know just what our government is doing in the name of us, the people, is an extremely important duty of every citizen and if democracy is to work, we must fulfill that duty. To equate criticism of our government with disloyalty is the cruelest kind of a hoax. We know very little about what is transpiring in the rest of the world especially the Socialist countries except what is fed us by a biased information service intent on creating an unfavorable impression of anything we deem to call leftist.

The charter of the U. S. specifically forbids the formation of organizations or blocks, either military or otherwise, outside the U. N. such as NATO, Sexto, OAS and others. We have used our pressure and money to keep China out which in itself is a flagrant violation of the charter and obviously renders the U.N. something much less than 'a world organization'. Without we adopt a more realistic approach this session of the General Assembly will probably be the last.

All this maneuvering is done in the name of maintaining the status quo in the world. It has cost the American people untold billions of dollars and many tens of thousands of lives of our boys. And has it stopped the advance of new ideas or resulted in better position or prestige in the world? Ask world travelers or read what the thinking people of our country think, read William Lederer's latest book, Nation of Sheep, then look around the world and see the nations that have left 'our orbit' and the ones that are about to, and the ones that are costing us billions to hang on to. Do you think this adds up to success for our policy? I am for concentrating on making our system work and let the rest of the world solve their own problems.

I hesitate to lend any dignity to Douglas Harpold's diatribe against me by answering because he was evidently shooting at his own lack of knowledge, not me. I will say in answer to his first question that there are, undoubtedly, many valid reasons for people leaving the countries he mentions and perhaps the greatest is the billions of dollars the CIA puts out and our offer for asylum and extraordinary privileges to anyone who will give us the propaganda material it does. If Canada would make the same offer to the people in the U. S. we could get rid of all our criminals, too.

... He speaks of the prosperity we have brought to Formosa, the Philippines, Panama and Puerto Rico. As it happens all the countries he mentions are anything but prosperous and all are in deep ~~formosa~~ against our type of Colonization. A public debate on this subject might be enlightening.

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